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The reply brief filed 12/2/02 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.


Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group Receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956. See MPEP 203.08.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner George Fourson whose telephone number is (703) 308-2544. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

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